



CompCareBlue

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NORTHWEST NETWORK

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Total Number of Members.....	New Network
Years of Operating Experience	20
Total Number of Primary Care Physicians (PCPs)	189
Percentage of PCPs Accepting New Patients	100%
Percentage of Board Certified Specialty Care Physicians	86.3%
Number of Urgent Care Facilities	13
Number of Dental Clinics.....	N/A
Percentage of Dentists Accepting New Patients	N/A

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Referral Requirements	You do not need a referral from your primary care physician (PCP) to see any of the in-network specialists who are part of the Northwest Network. You will need a written referral from your PCP and authorization from CompCareBlue to obtain services from a specialist who is not participating in the Northwest network. CompCareBlue will provide a written response to the referral request to you and your PCP.
Prior Authorization Requirements	Pre-certification is required for non-emergency hospital stays. Certain healthcare procedures require pre-authorization as initiated by your PCP or specialist. CompCareBlue will provide a written response to you and your provider.
Medicare Claims Procedure	If Medicare is the primary carrier, claims must be submitted to Medicare first. After Medicare processes the claim, you will receive an Explanation of Medicare Benefits (EOMB). In those few cases when a provider does not accept assignment, we will notify you and the provider if a copy of your EOMB is needed.
On-Line Services	Our website is a valuable resource for both information and services. At www.bluecrosswisconsin.com , you can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Access our on-line directories for the State of Wisconsin by going to the <i>Find a Provider</i> section on our web site. To view or print a copy of our CompCareBlue Northwest directory, click on <i>State of Wisconsin Employees Start Here</i> and then choose <i>CompCareBlue Northwest Family Network</i> directory. ▪ Access our secure online Customer Service Center, Service Direct. With Service Direct, you can review claim status, determine eligibility, inquire about deductibles and out-of-pocket expenses, check authorization status, order ID Cards and contact Customer Service. ▪ Find health and wellness information, by clicking on our Healthy Living link on our homepage. This will give you access to our LifeStyleBlue Health and Wellness Program, healthy recipes, resources, tobacco cessation programs, preventive health care guidelines and access to our Women's Health e-Newsletter.
Outpatient Mental Health Network/Policy	Pre-certification is only required for inpatient hospital stays; you do not need a referral to see a Northwest network mental health provider.
24-Hour Nurse Line	Not available.

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PCP Restrictions	Each family member may choose a different Primary Care Provider from the CompCareBlue Northwest Network. You are able to change your Primary Care Provider up to three times per year. Primary Care Provider changes to a new Primary Care Provider not in your current clinic are restricted to the Dual Choice enrollment period, with the change effective on January 1 st .
Dental Benefits If Provided	No routine dental care provided.
Quality Improvement Initiatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quality service initiatives include a focus on increased member satisfaction through the discontinuation of the referral process to in-network HMO specialists, as well as to improve the timeliness and efficiency of member complaint resolution. Health Improvement Programs are available bringing a Health Coach model to our members with diabetes, asthma and congestive heart failure. These programs are led by registered nurses who will put together a coaching team of health professionals to meet the individual member needs. Member outreach initiatives focusing on the health of the member population include cholesterol management, diabetes blood glucose screening and postpartum depression screening. Members and physicians receive mailings reminding them of testing as well as educational materials. In addition, all members receive information regarding these initiatives through the member newsletter.

Counties in Service Area	Hospitals in County	Major Providers in County*
Barron	✓ Cumberland Memorial Hospital ✓ Lakeview Medical Center	Cumberland Clinic
Burnett	✓ Burnett Medical Center	Burnett Medical Clinic Shell Lake Clinic
Chippewa	✱✓ St. Joseph's Hospital – Chippewa Falls	Family Health Associates
Eau Claire	✱✓ Sacred Heart Hospital – Eau Claire Oak Leaf Surgical Hospital	Pine Grove Family Practice Associates
Pepin	Chippewa Valley Hospital	Castleberg Clinic
Pierce	✱✓ River Falls Area Hospital	Spring Valley Medical Center Ellsworth Medical Clinic
Polk	Ladd Memorial Hospital St. Croix Regional Medical Center ✓ Amery Regional Medical Center	Frederic Regional Medical Clinic
St. Croix	✓ Hudson Hospital ✓ Holy Family Hospital – New Richmond ✓ Baldwin Area Medical Center	River Falls Medical Clinic New Richmond Clinic Hudson Physicians
Washburn	✓ Spooner Health System ✓ Indianhead Medical Center, Inc.	Shell Lake Clinic Duluth Clinic – Spooner

* To request a copy of the CompCareBlue Northwest Provider Directory which lists the providers in the network, or to find out if your doctor or hospital is a network provider, please call the CompCareBlue Northwest Network Customer Service Department at 1-800-368-4453 or visit our Web site www.bluecrosswisconsin.com.